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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL - RRR

Mr. Sean Carney
Security Review Branch Manager
Department of the Navy
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
2000 Navy Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20350-2000

Re: **FOIA Request on Behalf of Jonathan J. Pollard**
Ref. No. 5510/Ser N09N2/10U213454

Dear Mr. Carney:

I am writing with regard to a Freedom of Information Act request dated August 17, 2010, made on behalf of Jonathan J. Pollard, seeking unredacted documents and declassification information relating to five partly classified documents.

In response to the request, I received a copy of a letter dated December 2, 2010, bearing the above reference number. The letter stated that "The documents were reviewed to assess if they were subject to automatic declassification per Executive Order 13526. The Department of the Navy Automatic Declassification Program Manager determined that enclosure (1) is not subject to automatic declassification until March 2012." Enclosure (1) is a Declaration of then-Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger (the "Weinberger Declaration," redacted copy attached hereto as Exhibit A). The Weinberger Declaration reflects (on page 46) that it was executed in 1986. On January 9, 1987, it was filed with the Court Security Officer, who redacted it and designated the redacted portions as classified.

I received a second letter, dated April 20, 2011, which essentially repeated the statements in the first letter.

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Accordingly, by the terms of both letters, the Weinberger Declaration is now subject to automatic declassification.

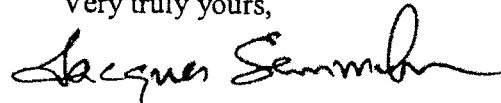
We note further that December 31, 2011 was the December 31 of the year that is 25 years from the date of origin of the Weinberger Declaration. Accordingly, the Weinberger Declaration is now subject to automatic declassification under Executive Order 13526 (formerly Executive Order 12958, as amended) and 32 CFR § 2001.30(l).

We request copies of the following:

- (1) The Weinberger Declaration in unredacted form.
- (2) All documents and records which reflect any declassification review of the Weinberger Declaration, including but not limited to any determination whether or not to declassify any portion of the Weinberger Declaration, and the bases therefor.

We agree to pay fees for this request up to a maximum of \$250. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please inform us first.

Very truly yours,



Jacques Semmelman

Enclosures

cc: Eliot Lauer
Jonathan J. Pollard